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SUBJECT: GATT ADHERENCE TO UN INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE  
COMMISSION (ICSC)

REF: A) GENEVA 8287; B) STATE 262461; C) GENEVA 8351

1. AT INFORMAL MEETING WITH GATT DG LONG NOV. 10 DECISION REACHED NOT TO PUT QUESTION OF GATT FORMAL ADHERENCE TO ICSC ON NOV. 21 COUNCIL AGENDA. ONLY AUSTRALIA SPOKE UNQUALIFIEDLY IN FAVOR OF ADHERENCE. U.S. PER REF B INDICATED THAT IT IS LIKELY WE WOULD FAVOR ADHERENCE, BUT OUR STUDY OF MATTER NOT COMPLETED. FRANCE, U.K., BELGIUM, ITALY, NIGERIA AND JAMAICA ALL INDICATED RESERVATIONS AND REQUESTED MORE TIME TO CONSIDER MATTER. REASONS FOR RESERVATIONS CONCERNED UNCERTAINTY ABOUT POWERS OF COMMISSION, FEARS THAT ICSC MIGHT HAVE POWER TO MAKE CHANGES IN STRUCTURE OF GATT STAFF WITH BUDGETARY CONSEQUENCES, AND FEARS THAT ADHERENCE COULD LEAD TO GATT BEING SWALLOWED UP BY U.N. OR PREJUDICE TALKS ON U.N. RESTRUCTURING.

2. GATT SECRETARIAT RESPONSES DID NOT ALLAY FEARS. IN ADHERING TO ICSC LONG SAID GATT ADMINISTRATION WOULD HAVE TO RETAIN SUFFICIENT FLEXIBILITY TO SOLVE SPECIAL PROBLEMS OF SMALL ORGANIZATION LIKE GATT WHICH COULD NOT RECEIVE ATTENTION FROM A COMMISSION

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THAT HAD TO LOOK AFTER THE MUCH LARGER ORGANIZATIONS

FOUND IN U.N. SYSTEM. LONG DID INDICATE THAT GATT  
COULD NOT PROVISIONALLY ADHERE TO ICSC INDEFINITELY  
AND THAT COUNCIL WOULD HAVE TO TAKE MATTER UP SOMEITME  
EARLY IN 1976.DALE

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